



This project would benefit the area by getting more commuters on the train to work and or for pleasure. This

During the past several years more people are looking to take mass transit specifically trains to work. There has already been an increase in local housing and these families are looking for a way to get to and from work safely and reliably. The location is also equidistant from Old Saybrook to New London and would allow increased access to the Maritime community in Niantic Bay. Currently, the railroad bridge has to stay down when a train passes through. Putting a stop before the bridge would allow the bridge to stay up thus letting the flow of boats and commerce into the bay while still keeping commuters moving.

Lastly, I am here to support Proposed S.B. No. 512 *AN ACT CONCERNING A GUARDRAIL ON ROUTE 154 IN OLD SAYBROOK.*

This bill is a proposal that I and fellow Senator Art Linares are submitting on behalf of residents in the Old Saybrook area. We are asking the Department of Transportation to put in place a guardrail on Route 154 in Old Saybrook to prevent parking and preserve wetlands.

Currently, people who use the area for recreation are parking their vehicles along the section of route 154 at the end causeway headed toward Fenwick which is causing a hazard. There are also concerns of waste left by fisherman in the wetland area. This is a quality of life issue that deserves attention.

I thank you for the opportunity to testify on these proposals.